

CS 82.2A Course Outline as of Summer 2025**CATALOG INFORMATION**

Dept and Nbr: CS 82.2A Title: INTRO TO NETWORKS
 Full Title: Introduction to Networks
 Last Reviewed: 2/22/2021

Units	Course Hours per Week		Nbr of Weeks		Course Hours Total	
Maximum	4.00	Lecture Scheduled	4.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	70.00
Minimum	4.00	Lab Scheduled	0	8	Lab Scheduled	0
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	4.00		Contact Total	70.00
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 140.00

Total Student Learning Hours: 210.00

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade or P/NP

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly: CS 82.22A

Catalog Description:

This course introduces the architecture, structure, functions, components, and models of the Internet and other computer networks. It uses the Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) and Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) layered models to examine the nature and roles of protocols and services at the application, network, data link, and physical layers. The principles and structure of Internet Protocol (IP) addressing and the fundamentals of Ethernet concepts, media, and operations are introduced to provide a foundation for the curriculum. Network simulator activities help students analyze protocol and network operation and build small networks in a virtual environment. Students build simple Local Area Network (LAN) topologies by applying basic principles of cabling, performing basic configurations of network devices, including routers and switches, and implementing IP addressing schemes. Network Fundamentals is the first of the three courses leading to the Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA) designation.

Prerequisites/Corequisites:**Recommended Preparation:**

Completion of CS 80.15

Limits on Enrollment:

Schedule of Classes Information:

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Limits on Enrollment:

Transfer Credit: CSU;

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ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

AS Degree:	Area	Effective:	Inactive:
CSU GE:	Transfer Area	Effective:	Inactive:
IGETC:	Transfer Area	Effective:	Inactive:
CSU Transfer:	Transferable	Effective: Fall 2021	Inactive:
UC Transfer:		Effective:	Inactive:

CID:

Certificate/Major Applicable:

Both Certificate and Major Applicable

COURSE CONTENT

Student Learning Outcomes:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

1. Analyze data networks supporting business communications and apply network protocol models to facilitate improved transfer of information across an internetwork.
2. Demonstrate the importance of addressing and naming schemes at the various layers of data networks.
3. Compare and contrast fundamental Ethernet concepts and topological designs used in data networks.

Objectives:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

1. Examine the importance of data networks and the Internet in supporting business

- communications and everyday activities
2. Summarize how communication is accomplished in data networks and across the Internet
 3. Differentiate the devices and services that are used to support communications across an internetwork
 4. Deduce the layers of communications in data networks through analysis of network protocol models
 5. Examine the role of protocols in data networks
 6. Evaluate the importance of addressing and naming schemes at various layers of data networks
 7. Compare and contrast the protocols and services operating at the application layer in the Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) model and examine how this layer operates in sample networks
 8. Analyze the operations and features of the transport layer protocols and services
 9. Analyze the operations and feature of the network layer protocols and services and explain the fundamental concepts of routing
 10. Design, calculate, and apply subnet masks and addresses to fulfill given requirements
 11. Interpret the operation of protocols at the OSI data link layer and examine how they support communications
 12. Inspect the physical layer protocols and services supporting communications across data networks
 13. Distinguish fundamental Ethernet concepts such as media, services, and operation
 14. Choose basic cabling and network designs to connect devices in accordance with stated objectives
 15. Experiment with Cisco Command Line Interface (CLI) to perform basic router and switch configuration

Topics and Scope:

1. Basic Switch and End Device Configuration
2. Protocols and Models (such as OSI)
3. Numbering Systems
4. Data Link Layer
5. Ethernet Switching
6. Network Layer
7. Address Resolution
8. Basic Router Configuration
9. IPv4 and IPv6 Addressing
10. Internet Control Messaging Protocol (ICMP)
11. Transport and Application Layers
12. Network Security Fundamentals
13. Build a Small Network

Assignment:

Reading assignments include:

1. Online research of security devices and deployment practices
2. Approximately 50 pages weekly from the textbook

Homework problems include:

1. Weekly online discussion thread participation
2. Hands-on exercises and class performances to demonstrate proficiency with topics
3. Online quizzes

Other assignments include:

1. Quizzes (9 - 11) and skill demonstration exam
2. Classroom scenario-based performances and exercises

Optional Assignments:

1. Network operating system and security design diagrams and layout

Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

Writing: Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Weekly written online discussions

Writing
5 - 10%

Problem Solving: Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

Homework problems, Creation of network, operating system and security design diagrams and layouts (optional)

Problem solving
15 - 30%

Skill Demonstrations: All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

Skill demonstration exam

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20 - 30%

Exams: All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Quizzes, skill demonstration exam

Exams
20 - 30%

Other: Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

Attendance and participation in scenario-based exercises

Other Category
5 - 20%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:

Introduction to Networks Companion Guide (CCNAv7). Cisco Networking Academy. Cisco Press. 2020

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